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TWO CARS OF DYNAMITE DOOMED

Connellsville, Pa., Sept. 9.—The powder works, six miles from Uniontown, Pa., blew up this morning. There were about fifty men employed in the works and it is feared many were killed. Relief parties from Connellsville and Uniontown left for the works.

Willing Hands Hunting Dead.

Among the six bodies recovered was that of Mr. Rand, manager of the plant. There are said to be from thirty-five to forty bodies still in the ruins. The rescue work is being carried on by hundreds of willing hands in the hopes that some may be taken from the ruins alive.

FIVE BUILDINGS RUINED BY TWO AWFUL EXPLOSIONS.

Fairchance, Pa., Sept. 9.—A telephone message from Connellsville said the dead would probably be between twenty and thirty. The Rand Powder Company had five buildings, and employed about fifty-five men. The entire five buildings are said to have been destroyed. Six bodies were taken from the ruins. There were two explosions.

PASSING TRAIN LOST ALL WINDOWS FROM THE JAR.

Connellsville, Pa., Sept. 9.—It is stated that the explosion started in the powder house and communicated itself to all the other buildings.

A passenger train on the Baltimore & Ohio, northbound from Morgantown to Connellsville, was the scene at the time of the explosion. The train was jarred tremendously and every window was broken.

Passengers were cut by showers of glass which fell about them. The concussion was like an earthquake to the country round about, and in surrounding towns caused great excitement. Manager was not killed, but seriously hurt. He insisted on being carried to a telephone so that he could talk to his wife in Uniontown, because he knew she could hear the roar of the explosion.

Two Cars of Dynamite.

At noon twelve bodies had been taken from the ruins. Five around Fairchance buildings were blown over, and at Uniontown, seven miles from the explosion, hundreds of windows were broken. Scores of people in Fairchance have painful injuries. The debris is now on fire, and two cars of dynamite, that cannot be removed from the vicinity of the ruins, are momentarily expected to explode.

FOUND NEW FOSSILS IN THE NORTHWEST

Stanford University, Cal., Sept. 9.—Professor James P. Smith, of the Department of Mining and Geology, has returned to the University from a trip through the northwest, where he spent a portion of the summer in scientific investigation connected with the fossils, which are to be published by the United States Geological Survey. These monographs deal with fossil fish fossils, and when completed will contain all the genera of the west. The first monograph is to appear in the fall, and will contain but one species of each of the seventy odd genera. The second monograph will not appear for several years, owing to its exhaustive character.

After leaving the university, two weeks were spent in the western Humboldt range in Nevada. Two more weeks were spent in the Wasatch range, in southeastern Idaho. Prof. Smith then spent some time in Shasta county, California. He has been over this field three times, and in his last investigation found many new and valuable specimens. The monographs are principally of the ammonites, and will require several years of study before their exact identity is ascertained.

KLONDIKE MERCHANTS FIX UNIFORM PRICES

Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 9.—Merchandise was promised to become a thing of the past in the Klondike. Wholesale and retailers have organized for the first time in the history of the camp, and have formed a combination to maintain the uniform quotations for the Dawson market. The undertaking became effective last week. The retailers have attended a number of their quotations. On the whole, the wholesale rates are changed but little, while every jobber or wholesaler has once price to offer. The only difference that may be gained getting prices will be on the different quality of goods. This, at least, is the purpose of the organization, and all of the Dawson merchants are in line.

GERMAN CRUISER FOR EAST AFRICA STRANDED

Singapore, Straits Settlement, Sept. 8.—The German protected cruiser, Seeadler, which left this port yesterday for German East Africa, in view of the rebellion there, struck on the submerged Kent rocks, twelve miles from here. The remains are stranded there in a bad position. All efforts to haul her off have proved unsuccessful.

BATTLING NELSON DEFEATS CHAMPION JIMMY BRITT

Eighteen Rounds of Fiercest Fighting Ever Seen In Prize Ring, Which Seemed to be for Britt Until the Last.

MEASUREMENTS OF		THE MEN
JAMES EDWARD NELSON		BATTLING NELSON.
5 feet 6 inches	Height	5 feet 7 inches
133 pounds	Weight	133 pounds
65½ inches	Reach	67 inches
15 inches	Neck	15 inches
35½ inches	Chest, Normal	34½ inches
38 inches	Chest, Expanded	37 inches
28 inches	Waist	25 inches
12 inches	Biceps	12 inches
10½ inches	Forearm	11¾ inches
7 inches	Wrist	7½ inches
10½ inches	Thigh	20 inches
13 inches	Calf	14 inches
7 inches	Ankle	7 inches

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 9.—The crowds that made the trip to Colma today to see the Britt-Nelson glove contest, started out without any definite information as to who will fill the all-important position of referee. At 11 o'clock last night, Manager Nolan declared positively that he would not accept Jeffries. There the matter stands this morning. The weather promises to be favorable for taking pictures of the contest.

Battling Nelson weighed in promptly at 10 o'clock today, as provided for in the articles of agreement. His weight was 132 1/2 pounds, just half a pound under the stipulated weight. Britt was 7 minutes late, but forfeit, which might have been claimed, was waived by Nelson. Britt tipped the scales at exactly 133 pounds. There

colts, and, judging from the large number of boxing enthusiasts who have arrived here during the last few days from all parts of the country, it will not be disappointed.

Both men are in the pink of condition and a highly interesting and spirited battle is expected. With a few exceptions the betting on the fight is practically even. Britt has expressed himself confident of being able to knock out Nelson, but experts are inclined to believe that the fact that the fight is for forty-five rounds, gives some advantage to Nelson, who is what is called a "finish fighter." Both men have been training hard for nearly a month. Nelson did his training in seclusion, while Britt did his preliminary work publicly, and even went so far as to sell tickets of ad-



Bob Lundie NELSON AND HIS TRAINERS. Battling Nelson Geo. Braun

mission to his training camp.

Graney for Referee.

Graney, at 2:30, Pacific time, appeared in the ring and will referee the Britt-Nelson fight.

Colma, Cal., Sept. 9.—Not since Jim Corbett and Bob Fitzsimmons boxed in Carson City, has any prize fight attracted as much attention as the battle which Jimmy Britt and Battling Nelson will fight this afternoon in the new pavilion erected within the Union Course Park enclosure. Nearly all the important fights since the Corbett-Fitzsimmons affair were between heavyweights. No contest between lightweights of the importance of the two fighters who are to meet today, has taken place for many years, and it is that fact as well as the conditions of the fight which will make it a memorable event.

At first the proposition was to make the fight one of fifty rounds, but that was afterwards changed to forty-five rounds. Even as it is, there is scarcely any doubt that it will be a finish at all, as both men are too active and swift fighters to make it probable that the battle will go on for so many rounds without one of the other being knocked out. The mill is practically for the lightweight title, as the conditions are in accordance with the rules of that class.

Today being "Admission Day," a local holiday in California, commemorating the admission of California into the statehood, the fact that the fight has been set for today is attracting a much larger attendance than it could have attracted on any other day. The management of the Colma Athletic Club, under the auspices of which the fight is arranged, counted on the holiday to increase the box re-

EVIDENCES OF EARTHQUAKE APPALL STOUTEST HEARTS

Nocera, Italy, Sept. 9.—Travelers arriving here from Calabria are profoundly impressed with the earthquake disaster. The depot at Parghella is completely destroyed. Travelers recount having seen villages reduced to ruins, men and women weeping and seeking to find and bury the bodies of their relatives. All depots from San Giovanni to Santa Eufemia are invaded by the population demanding succor. The spectacle is terrifying.

MINISTRY WILL MEET TO CONSIDER MEASURES OF AID

Rome, Sept. 9.—Cabinet of ministers will probably be held tomorrow to consider measures of relief for the sufferers from yesterday's earthquake in Calabria. King Victor Emmanuel has given \$20,000 for the relief of families of victims. At Messina, Sicily, the walls of many of the houses and churches were cracked by the earthquake and otherwise were more or less seriously damaged.

2:40 p. m.—The ring is now being cleared for action. The picture machine is being adjusted and turned on the ring. In the meantime the men will pose for photographs.

It is announced that all bets made prior to Graney's selection are declared off. All bets after the announcement that Graney was selected do not come under this ruling.

At 2:45 p. m. Graney called the men and representatives of the newspapers to the center of the ring and gave the men instructions. The men must break absolutely when he orders them to do so and the fighters have agreed to follow these instructions. Graney will not step in between the men while in a clinch. Then Britt and Nelson shook hands and went to their corners.

Britt was the first to strip. Britt appeared to be in the very best of condition. He wore the colors of the Olympic club and Nelson was attired in green trunks. Then they posed for photographs.

They will be off in a minute.

Announcer Jordan said: "It will be a contest under Marquis of Queensbury rules."

Fight by Rounds.

Round 1—Britt led first but received a left hook to the face. Britt then shot his right to Nelson's body and followed in with two lefts to the face. Both felt the other Nelson rushed to a clinch and quickly broke. Nelson blocked a hard left and then Britt swung his right hard over Nelson's eye and drove a wicked left to the body. A clinch followed and Nelson in a rush, swung left to the nose, opening a cut over Britt's nose. Britt sent a straight smash to the face. Both men were extremely careful. Nelson blocking a left, hooked a left to the side of Britt's face. Britt looked very determined. The round was quite interesting and both men displayed all the arts of the game. On the whole the round was about even. It was easily to be seen that both were very determined.

Round 2—Nelson evaded left lead and a moment later Britt shot two lefts to the face. The blood was still coming from Britt's nose from a blow in the previous round. Nelson forced Britt to the ropes, side steps to left and Britt swings one or two wicked lefts to the jaw, dazing Nelson. Nelson jumped around and Britt landed his left to Nelson's jaw. The Dane landed 2 powerful rights to Britt's jaw. Britt then drove his right to the face and two powerful blows over the heart. Nelson, however, came in for more and they went to close quarters, fighting fiercely. The bell rang with the honors in favor of Britt, although Nelson seemed none the worse as he went to his corner.

Round 3—They went at it quietly. Britt sending two light lefts to the face. A third attempt went wild and they sparred carefully. Nelson forced Britt around the ring to get in close and for his pains received a raking right to the head. Nelson then sent

the gong found Nelson the weaker of the two from Britt's advance of blows.

Round 4—Both missed left swings and Nelson forced as usual. He constantly bore in, but Britt kept sending right and left blows to Nelson's jaw. Britt stabbed Nelson with left to the face, and after landing two similar blows, shot left and right hard to the jaw, but could not make Nelson keep his distance. They clinched and, exchanged lefts to the face, Britt in a rally swinging rights and lefts to the face and jaw. Nelson still went in, but his blows were short. Nelson upper cutted Britt with left to the jaw, and the gong rang with the men in a clinch. Britt seemed to have gained much strength and continued his systematic battle of peppering Nelson with left and right stabs and jolts. Britt's round.

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Round 6—Nelson shot two lefts at Britt and backed away with Britt following him, eagerly looking for a mix. Nelson straightened him with left and right hooks to the face. Suddenly Nelson sent in a vicious left clout to the jaw and in the mix after receiving right and left to the face was sent to his corner with right and left chops to the jaw. It looked bad for Britt and his seconds threw water on him. It was a terrible fight, Nelson raining blow after blow on Britt's jaw and face. Britt was apparently helpless. Nelson was tired from his own exertions and could not land any more blows. As the gong rang Nelson was the stronger and it looked as if Britt could not have lasted much longer. He came back gamely but was too weak to do any damage. Nelson looked confident and Britt looked much distressed. Nelson's round.

Round 7—Nelson shot a left to the face and Britt contented himself with boxing. He swung a left to the face and then right to the face. Nelson was unrelenting and followed Britt around trying to send in a vital punch. Britt drove two lefts to the jaw that would have staggered an ordinary fighter. Nelson seemed to feel like absorbing Britt's blows, however. The pace was so strong that both were tired. Nelson drove Britt to the ropes with left and right to the jaw, and mixing, Britt swung right and left to the jaw, but they had no apparent effect on Nelson. Britt fought Nelson from the clinches, finally landing a left hook to the body that staggered Nelson perceptibly. Britt followed Nelson went to his corner seemingly in distress. It was Britt's round.

Round 8—Nelson came up dancing. Britt missed several left leads and broke ground before the Dane. They sparred, Britt holding Nelson back with lefts to the head. Britt then stepped to the floor and was up quickly. Nelson shaking his hand. They exchanged rights and lefts to the head. Nelson went to close quarters, got Britt in a corner, but Jimmy sent a terrible right to the jaw. Nelson retaliated with left and right to the jaw, staggering Britt and they went to a clinch. In the center of the ring they exchanged right and left upper cuts, Nelson having the better of it. They kept fighting fiercely at close quarters. Britt hammering Nelson's jaw with fearful right and left wallops. It was wonderful the amount of punishment the Dane took at this stage. Silence was thrown to the winds, and

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Foreign Office Makes Known Condition of Armistice No Reinforcements of Either Army Navy Remains Active

OYAMA AND LINEVITCH WILL ARRANGE DETAILS

Members of Both Houses Talk With Ministry—Another Attack On Minister Yoshikiwa's Residence—Disturbance Has About Subsided

ROSEN DENIES SECRET TREATY BETWEEN EMPERORS

Tokio, Sept. 8.—(Delayed transmission.)—The foreign office broke its long silence this afternoon and informed the public that the armistice became effective September 5. It provides for neutral zones in Manchuria, along the Tumen river, and declares any reinforcement of troops now in the field. It does not, however, suspend naval activity, nor the right of seizure on sea. It leaves the general details to the commanding Generals, Oyama and Linevitch.

against fortification of Cape Soyud and that Japan is to have free hand in the government of Korea, becomes known, it is expected that popular indignation will be considerably allayed.

Tokio, Sept. 8.—(Delayed transmission.)—Another attack was made upon the residence home of Minister Yoshikiwa early this morning. Members of the mob closed in on the building, into which they threw firebrands, and succeeded in starting a small blaze, which the military guards extinguished, and then beat off the attacking party. It is reported that explosives were thrown at the building, during the attack, but it is not confirmed. The guards captured twenty of the attacking party.

PREMIER MEETS MEMBERS OF LEGISLATIVE HOUSES.

Tokio, Sept. 8.—(Delayed transmission.)—An informal meeting today between Premier Komura and members of both houses, representing their respective parties and associates, was had, and Count Kazuruma made a full statement regarding peace negotiations.

Baron Yamato, minister of the navy, who was present at the meeting, said that although there was strong popular dissatisfaction with the terms of peace, it must be borne in mind that a far heavier sacrifice of life would be necessary to take Vladivostok than that involved in the capture of Port Arthur, besides the heavy monetary outlay. It was advisable, therefore, he said to be satisfied with the present terms.

M. Oishi, leader of the progressive party, suggested that the cabinet should resign after concluding peace upon such satisfactory terms. When the fact that no stipulation exists

FATAL COLLISION BETWEEN TWO FREIGHT TRAINS TODAY

Philadelphia, Sept. 9.—Three trainmen were killed and two others in all probability were fatally injured early today in a collision between freight trains of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad and the Central railroad of New Jersey.

Dead: John Rankin, engineer Central railroad train; Henry Buer, conductor same train; Frank Bond, Philadelphia, brakeman. Philadelphia & Reading train. A special medical train followed the collision and the local fire department was called out to extinguish the flames.

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